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Construction Of New Halls Is Progressing

Construction of Archbishop Noll Hall and Bennett Hall, which will permit the expansion of the St. Joseph's student body by 196 students, is well under way, with a large part of the foundation work already completed.

The official ground-breaking took place on July 1, climaxing a day of celebration on the Feast Day of the Most Precious Blood. College personnel, alumni and friends honored St. Gaspar, founder of the society, who was canonized on June 12.

Bishop John G. Bennett, of the Lafayette diocese, whose people contributed generously toward the building to be named in his honor, broke ground for Bennett Hall. Bishop Leo A. Pursley, auxiliary bishop of the Fort Wayne diocese, and Msgr. Edward J. Mungovan, vicar-general, did the honors for Archbishop Noll Hall, which has been partially financed by that diocese.

Building Costs Pared by Alumnus
General contractor for the building project is the E. H. Marhoefer, Jr., Company of Chicago, whose bid was approximately \$13,000 lower than the next lowest bid.

Norman Vaughn, a St. Joseph's high school alumnus of '19, has been chief estimator for the Marhoefer company for more than 20 years. It is no secret in the company offices that the attractive bid they made for the contract was due to Vaughn's meticulous figuring to give St. Joe's the best deal possible.

Jim Drake Awarded Citation

James R. Drake, '52, has been awarded the Bronze Star Medal for meritorious service in Korea, according to an announcement by Col. F. B. Mann, chief of the Indiana Military District.

The citation awarding the former Sergeant First Class the medal stated that Drake distinguished himself by meritorious service from May 6, 1953, to March 3, 1954, by performing his duties of computer and operations sergeant in a superior fashion. The citation added that "displaying initiative and leadership ability, he assumed additional duties and responsibilities, thus relieving his superiors of many time-consuming details."

Drake, who also has been awarded the Korean Service Medal, the United Nations Service Medal and National Defense Service Medal, served 21 months in active Army duty.

A graduate of St. Mary's High School in Anderson, he majored in chemistry and biology while at

Clyne-Tonner Troth Announced

The engagement of Leo L. Tonner, '50, and Miss Marjorie Clyne of Flushing, N. Y., has been announced by Miss Clyne's parents.

Tonner, who is a native of Rensselaer, also holds a degree from the University of Indiana Law School. He is now employed by the General Electric Company of New York.

Miss Clyne is a graduate of Flushing High School and a June graduate of Syracuse University.

1954 Homecoming Day Scheduled for Oct. 9

Alumni Homecoming Day this year will be on Oct. 9, when St. Joe's Pumas take on Indiana State at Collegeville.

Field Secretary Hugh McAvoy, already busy with preliminary arrangements, says the day's schedule will be kept simple and planned for a maximum of intra-alumni social contact.

Lunch, served from 11:30 until one o'clock, will be followed at 1:15 by a short alumni meeting in the auditorium. Game time is 2 p. m., and from 4 to 8 p. m. there will be a social get-together (cocktails and supper) in Raleigh Hall. The annual Homecoming Dance will begin at 8:30.

It is planned to mail out reminders sometime during September.

Ron Cherry, '54 Wed in Chicago

Ronald J. Cherry, '54, and Miss Charlotte Ruth Weckinger were married June 29 in St. Laurence Church, Chicago. The bride is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph L. Weckinger.

The bridegroom, a son of Mr. and Mrs. Paul Cherry of 6910 Dante in Chicago, majored in business administration while at St. Joseph's. At present he is on active duty with the Army Transportation Corps.

Father Joseph Otte celebrated the Nuptial Mass.

Mail Campaign Held to Sell Season Tickets

With the Pumas' home football season due to open Sept. 25, a concerted effort is being made to sell season tickets. A direct-mail drive, directed by Hugh McAvoy, alumni field secretary, is being conducted chiefly among the alumni and parents of students.

The price of season tickets this year is five dollars, while individual game tickets at the gate will be \$1.50. Proceeds will be used to improve spectator facilities at the football field.

Puma's home opener is with De Pauw on Sept. 25, followed by home games with Indiana State on Oct. 9 (Homecoming), with Evansville on Oct. 23, and with Ohio Northern on Nov. 13 (Dad's Day).

Coach Bob Jauron has announced the scheduling of a game with Otterbein College at Westerville, Ohio, on Nov. 6, originally listed as an open date. This game completes St. Joe's nine-game schedule.

The Pumas are due to report in on Aug. 26, with regular practice sessions beginning the following week. First game of the season is with Earlham College, at Richmond, Ind., on Sept. 18.

Previous Records Broken As Registrations Soar

Registrations for the fall semester at St. Joseph's have reached record proportions, according to figures released by Fr. Charles Robbins, registrar.

This year, a total of 664 students had registered for the coming term by July 15. Of these, 249 are new boarding students, 339 are returning boarding students, 48 are seminarians in the Society of the

Alumni Board to Meet At College on Sept. 12

Alumni Association President Bill Curosh has called a meeting of the Board of Directors for Sept. 12, at St. Joseph's.

The meeting, which will begin at 11 a. m. and continue after dinner, will consider problems connected with Homecoming and the reactivation of alumni chapters, and with preliminary planning for this year's Communion Sunday.

Services Held July 30 For Fr. Schneider

Fr. Fridolin Schneider, C.P.P.S., died July 25 at the Incarnate Word Convent in San Antonio, Tex.

Funeral services were held July 30, at Carthage.

M. Kundtz Receives Promotion

Myron J. Kundtz, ex-'30, has been appointed Assistant Comptroller of Pennsylvania Greyhound Lines.

A native of Cleveland, Kundtz attended Fenn College there after leaving St. Joseph's. He joined Greyhound Lines in January 1931 as a clerk in the Accounting Department, and in 1934 was made Supervisor of Accounts Payable.

Kundtz served as Special Accountant until 1943, when he was

granted leave of absence to become Secretary and General Auditor of Penn-Ohio Coach Lines, in Youngstown, O. Returning to Cleveland in January 1945, he assumed the duties of Acting Assistant General Auditor. In October of that year he was given the title of General Auditor, which he has held until his present promotion.

With his wife and three children, Kundtz lives at 3901 W. 158th St., in Cleveland.



AT THE OFFICIAL GROUND-BREAKING CEREMONIES for Archbishop Noll Hall and Bennett Hall on July 1, a few of the guests and participants were photographed together as shown above. From left to right they are: W. Works, architects' representative on construction; Herman W. Veneklasen, of the federal Housing and Home Finance Agency; C. P. Severns, of the Naess and Murphy architectural firm; Norman Vaughn, a St. Joseph's alumnus of '19 and chief estimator for the contracting firm; Fr. Joseph Otte, '32, college treasurer; Russell Richey, superintendent of construction; the Most Rev. Leo A. Pursley, '21, Auxiliary Bishop of Fort Wayne, who broke ground for Archbishop Noll Hall; John P. McCollum, regional representative of the Housing and Home Finance Agency; the Most Rev. John G. Bennett, '09, Bishop of Lafayette, who broke ground for Bennett Hall; Msgr. Edward J. Mungovan, V.G., '97, who assisted in the Archbishop Noll Hall ceremonies; Fr. Gross, '32, St. Joseph's president; E. H. Marhoefer, Jr., president of the company which bears his name and which is building the two halls; and R. A. Earley, general superintendent of the Marhoefer firm.

Indianapolis Board Has First Meeting

Long range plans for scholarships and arrangements for a picnic highlighted the first meeting of the board of directors of the newly formed Central Indiana Chapter of St. Joseph's Alumni Association. The meeting was held in Indianapolis at the Knights of Columbus Hall on June 25.

The picnic is to be held early in September. Jim Welch, ex-'50, will head the affair.

Spokesmen for the new chapter expressed their intentions of having a good turnout for the Homecoming celebration next fall.

Fr. Walter Pax, dean of the college, and Hugh McAvoy, alumni field secretary, attended the meeting.

Members of the board are Edward Taphorn, ex-'50; Jack McCann, '51; Jim Welch, ex-'50; John Dunn, ex-'45; Robert Marks, ex-'52; Vestal Nicholas, '49; and Donald Kremp, '43.

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We Hear

from BIRMINGHAM, Alabama

..... It actually doesn't seem possible that I have a son old enough to be entering high school next fall, but such is the case. I would like to enroll him at St. Joe if you still have the high school department. I would appreciate it if you would mail me a catalog and any other literature that you have available.

If there is a possibility of his enrolling this fall, we intend to drive up during the summer. I would appreciate your advising me on the most convenient time to come.

Wishing the best for you and St. Joe, I am,

Sincerely,

Leon (Peanuts) Ritter, '33

1200—14th Place, S. W.

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from DAYTON, Kentucky

..... I think there are a few stray sheep over in Northern Kentucky who went to pasture around the campus of St. Joe. We could be included in the Cincinnati Alumni Chapter. Fr. Dave Zoumeyer is in Ft. Thomas, Kentucky; Fr. Henry Busemeyer is Pastor in Folmouth, Kentucky; Father Frank DeJoco is Pastor in Alexandria. There should be a few laymen of recent years. Seems to me I've heard of some of them. Don't write off us Kentuckians (natural born or adopted) off as "hill-williams." Northern Kentucky has a distinctly dymyankee flavor. Thanks for the address of "Squeaky" Salvatore Squequero.

Regards,

(Rev.) Robert A. Wendeln, '41

St. Bernard Church

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from MUNSTER, Indiana

..... I wish to inform you that Thomas B. Bell, ex-'51, 326 Beacon Place, Munster, Ind., is on his way to the Far East. It will no longer be possible to forward your paper to him. He was inducted July 23, 1953, took basic at Camp Picket, Virginia, and has been stationed at Ft. Lettermon Hospital, San Francisco, Calif. He is a graduate, registered pharmacist, and is being shipped to the Far East in that capacity.

Yours truly,

Mrs. Louise Bell

(Tom's Mother)

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from CHICAGO, Illinois

..... I meant to write sooner and thank you, Father, and St. Joe's for the wonderful hospitality shown me on my visit to our Alma Mater. However, I became the father of a baby boy on May 22nd, and with the excitement and anticipation of such a blessed event my thoughts were with my family.

From my observations the Physical Education majors are getting a well integrated program of courses, and if the lads were alerted to take every opportunity offered them for individual expression, they would find themselves more than thoroughly qualified to enter the teaching and coaching profession . . .

Dick Scharf is doing a splendid job, Father. Thank him for me; he showed us every courtesy.

Please save a spot for my son, Michael Charles Levandowski (Class of 1972) at St. Joseph's, and I hope someone in my class of 1943 supplies a room-mate for him, a Polish lad preferred.

God bless you, Father, so you can continue your good work.

Gratefully,

Chuck Levandowski, '43

Commissioned . . .



JOSEPH A. PETERS, '52, was graduated June 4 from a 16-week indoctrination course at the Naval Base, Newport, R. I., and received his commission as an Ensign in the U. S. Navy. Ensign Peters, a native of Mansfield, O., was presented his commission by Rear Admiral John C. Daniel.

Geology Group On Long Tour

Nine students, accompanied by Frs. Nieset and Ballman, spent two weeks early in June on a geology field trip in the southwestern states, conducted as part of the summer session of St. Joseph's. The students, among them Frank Pavalko, '52, visited Texas, Arizona, New Mexico, Oklahoma, and Missouri.

While en route, the party contacted several alumni living in the southwestern states. In Mineral Wells, Tex., they camped on the grounds of Dave Clemens, '44, where they were treated to a chicken dinner. Clemens is sales manager for the Texas Vitrified Pipe Company.

Later in the trip they had lunch at the home of Pete Varini, '43, in Abilene, Tex. Varini is with the Sun Oil Company.

In Midland, Tex., they were guests of Chester Skrabacz, '47, now a geologist with the Anderson-Pritchard Oil Corporation. Here they saw a well-drilling operation and were taken to dinner by Skrabacz.

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Alumni Quickies

Charles J. Korba, '51, William Mattingly, '52, and their wives visited at S.J.C. on Sunday, July 25. Korba works for the Public Services Company in Kokomo. Mattingly, who has been teaching at the Carthagenia (Ohio) grade school, has accepted a position as seventh-grade teacher in Celina . . . Pat Evard, ex-'54, is now at Ft. Sheridan (Ill.), awaiting his release from the Army after completing his tour of duty in Korea. He expects to return to St. Joe's in September . . . Dan Deneau, '53, took the examinations for his M.A. degree at Notre Dame on July 20 and 21, and is spending the rest of the summer getting "back to nature" in southern Illinois . . . Hugh Rossi, '51, is the father of a son now, William Mathew, born June 11, weighing 6 pounds, 9 ounces. The Rossis live on R.R. 2, Fort Recovery, Ohio . . . Gordon Sears, '50, is a sales trainee for the Dow Chemical Company of Midland, Mich. . . Pvt. Boyd E. Reutebuch, '53, graduated in June from the six-week Water Supply Course at the Army Engineer School, Fort Belvoir, Va. . . Jerry Wenzil, '53, is one of the bright hopes for the Camp Lejeune (N.C.) grid team this year, having been transferred from the All-Marine Quantico team, where he starred at Center last year . . . Kay William Kennedy, M.D., '43, has opened an office at 1320 Market Ave., North, in Canton, O., where his practice will be limited to obstetrics and gynecology . . . Harold Vanden Bossche, ex-'56, hopes to enter the University of Detroit this fall. He's working now for the Michigan Hospital Service (Blue Cross Hospitalization) in Detroit . . . Alphonsus D. McCoy, '21, of Pittsburgh, Pa., visited S.J.C. recently to register his son for the 1955-56 school year . . . Bob Kunka, '52, who has been doing graduate work at the University of Illinois, was a campus visitor for two days. Bob is now at home in Chicago, waiting for his Call to the Colors . . . Bill McCaslin, '49, and his wife Nancy were campus visitors recently. Bill teaches on Long Island, N. Y. . . Fr. Rufus Esser, '19, chairman of the Division of Humanities at S.J.C., has spent a few days at St. Luke's Hospital in Chicago for examination and observation. With orders to take it easier for several months because of a light angina condition, he is spending the rest of the summer at home in Cole Camp, Mo. . . Fr. Mark Dorenkemper, '44, is teaching at St. Joe's this summer in place of Fr. Sullivan, who was in Rome for the canonization . . . Charles B. White, father of Fr. Paul White, '49, died July 19 in Ottawa, Ohio . . . Jack McCann, '51, will graduate from Indiana University's law school in September . . . Bernie Boff, '54, has a fellowship in Economics at Northwestern University, where he will begin work next month . . . Fr. George Lubeley, '41, was at S.J.C. for a few days to give a special series of lectures in connection with the summer courses . . . Frank Lynn, '54, is a Marine lieutenant now, stationed at Quantico, Va.



IN ONE OF ROME'S FINEST RESTAURANTS, the above photo shows four St. Joseph's alumni celebrating the canonization with a party pre-arranged by a doctor-friend in Dayton. From left to right: Fathers Richard Baird, '35, admissions counselor at S.J.C.; Bernard Ganger, '42, of Holy Angels parish in Dayton; Frederick O'Brien, '37, of Immaculate Conception Parish in Celina, Ohio; and Chaplain Robert Gaertner of McChord Air Force Base, Washington.

Collegeville Nuns Mark Jubilee

Sisters Mary Francetta and Emeliana, both members of the college kitchen staff, celebrated the 25th anniversary of their entrance into the Order of the Precious Blood, July 18. The two sisters entered the order in 1929 and made their perpetual vows in 1938.

Following a Solemn High Mass of which Rev. Joseph Otte was celebrant, a banquet in the college dining room was held in honor of the two sisters and Sister Alma, also of the Precious Blood. Members of the faculty and staff, as well as many other

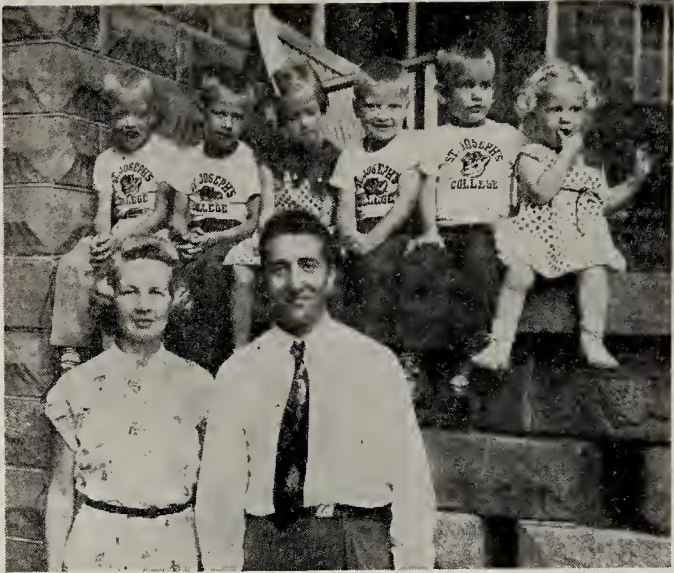
friends and relatives, were present at the banquet.

The celebration closed with solemn Benediction.

Dr. Thomas Greenwood Lectures at College

Dr. Thomas Greenwood, world traveler, lecturer, writer, and professor of literature at the University of Montreal, delivered two public lectures at St. Joseph's on July 25 and 27. Subjects for the two talks were "Tensions in the Far East" and "A Troubled Europe in a Divided World."

Dr. Greenwood gave a special series of theological lectures for summer students and faculty.



LOOKING OVER THE ST. JOSEPH'S SITUATION is the Bob Gutting family, who spent a few days here the latter part of July, visiting Bob's brother, Fr. Otte, and other friends. Bob, class of '40, is working for the Western Southern Life Insurance Company in Cincinnati—Marie, his wife, is engaged full time in "child welfare." In the row of young folks above, left to right, are: Robert, the oldest, who will be eight in December; John and Mary, the twins; James; Stephen; and Joyce, who will be two in October.—(Photo by Fr. Baird.)

Registration Still Open For Summer Retreats

August 4—Three lay retreats and one for C.P.P.S. priests are yet to be held at St. Joseph's this summer.

Two of the retreats, scheduled for August 6-8 and August 20-22, are for men. The other, August 13-15, is for women. Registrations are still open for all three. A women's retreat, held the weekend of July 9-11, was attended by 33.

The religious retreat will be for the fathers of the Precious Blood and will be held Aug. 9-13. Earlier this summer, retreats were given for the priests of the Lafayette diocese, the Christian Brothers, the Alcoholics Anonymous, and for one group of C.P.P.S. priests.

Registrations, or requests for further information, may be obtained by writing to the director of lay retreats, Fr. M. M. Dreiling, St. Joseph's College.

Priests and Brothers Visit Rome

Thirty priests and four brothers of the American Province of the Society of the Precious Blood traveled to Rome for the canonization of St. Gaspar Del Bufalo, founder of the order. The canonization ceremonies were held on June 12.

Ten of these priests attended the General Chapter, a meeting held during June and July, at which three other former province members now stationed in Rome were present. These three are Frs. Herbert Kramer, moderator general; John Behen, secretary to the moderator general; and Robert Neumeyer, economist general.

The ten attending the General Chapter were Frs. Seriphim Oberhauser, Leonard Fullenkamp, Herbert Linenberger, Joseph Rohling, John Byrne, Andrew Pollack, Joseph Kenkel, Aloys Dirksen, Edwin Murphy, and Harold Dillier.

Others in Rome for the canonization ceremonies were Bishop John Marling, Frs. John Hoorman, Rudolph Bierberg, Gabriel Brenkus, Francis Spanbauer, Richard Rauth, Richard Baird, James Birkley, Francis Sullivan, Joseph Anthamatten, Edward Zukowski,

Alumni Officers Attend Convention at Biloxi

Fr. John M. Lefko, '32, director of St. Joseph's Foundation, and Hugh McAvoy, '54, alumni field secretary, attended the July 11-16 national convention of the American Alumni Council in Biloxi, Miss.

Randall Decker, editor of "Contact," who had been participating in a public relations institute in New York City, joined the others at Biloxi for special meetings on college publications.

104 Students Attend Summer Session

The recently completed summer session brought 104 students to the campus for its tenure of six weeks lasting from June 21 to July 31.

Summer school enrollment included 85 Sisters from 12 different orders, six day students, four lay students living on campus, and nine geology students that made the field trip into the Southwest with Frs. Nieset and Ballman.

Miss Helen Skinner To Return to S.J.C.

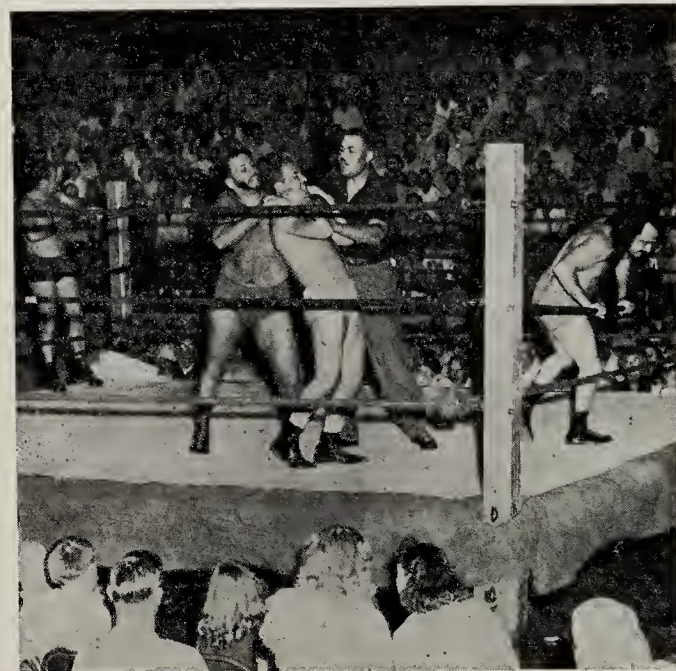
Miss Helen Skinner, who was food service manager at St. Joe's from 1949 until 1953, will return to her old job Sept. 7.

Miss Skinner held a similar position at West Texas State Teachers College during the past year.

Melchoir Lochtefeld, Bernard Ganger and Frederick Hunnefeld.

Also attending the ceremonies were Bros. William Schalk, Cletus Scheuer, John Marling, and Norbert Hoying.

Father Joseph Smolar left for a tour of Europe on July 5 and will return on or about August 20.



JOE LOUIS, former heavy weight champion, breaks a hold during the VFW's wrestling matches in St. Joseph's fieldhouse June 23. The Brown Bomber here is refereeing a tag team match parring Gypsy Joe and the Sheik of Araby against Gordon Hessel and Billy Hickson. That's the Gypsy glaring through the ropes at part of the overflow crowd. Louis will return to the fieldhouse August 11, when he will meet the Sheik of Araby in wresler vs. boxer affair with no holds barred.

Dirksen: A Familiar Name at St. Joe's . . .

By JAMES BRUHA, '55

When St. Joseph's opened its doors in 1891, a Dirksen entered as a high school student. With the exception of twenty years, from 1893 to 1913, there has been at least one Dirksen at St. Joseph's almost constantly ever since—either as student, as teacher, or as college president. The Dirksens like this place . . .

The first of the Dirksen clan to attend St. Joe's was Frank. He came from Minster, Ohio, in 1891, when the small Indiana school was just beginning. It was only a high school then, and the first half of the Administration Building had just been completed.

Those were the days when St. Joe boys played baseball with the Indian boys, who went to school in what is now Drexel Hall, across the road.

Frank Dirksen was on the first St. Joe drill team, and he took part in some of the school's earliest dramatic productions. He left St. Joseph's in 1893 and went on to become a teacher. While devoting 36 years of his life to teaching in Ohio, he raised six sons. He sent four of his boys to St. Joe's, and three of them went on to become priests in the Society of the Precious Blood.

Mr. Dirksen's oldest son, Clarence, attended high school here from 1913 to 1914. After this one year he returned to Ohio to pursue a career of farming.

The year Clarence left, his brother Aloys entered St. Joe's. Aloys completed his high school the junior college education in 1920. He later became a Precious Blood priest, returning to St. Joe's as a teacher and serving as president of the college from 1938 to 1944. Under Father Aloys an extensive building program was launched, and between 1939 and 1941 were erected Seifert Hall, Noll Hall, Xavier Hall and the fieldhouse. At the present time

Father Aloys is teaching at St. Charles Seminary in Carthagen, Ohio.

Carrying on the family tradition, Cletus Dirksen attended St. Joseph's as a seminarian from 1925 to 1926. Father Cletus was ordained in 1932. He returned to the campus to teach in 1941, and at the present time is teaching political science.

The youngest of the Dirksen boys, Richard, studied at St. Joe's as a seminarian from 1930 to 1934. At the present time Father Rich-

ard Dirksen is chaplain at St. Anthony's Hospital in Carroll, Iowa.

Following in the footsteps of his uncles is Don Dirksen, a son of August, who is a farmer near Osgood, Ohio. He entered St. Joseph's last year after graduating from Brunnerdale Seminary in Canton, Ohio. Besides being an honor student, Don is also a member of the Xavier Hall student council and the college band.

. . . The Dirksens like this place called St. Joseph's College.



THREE GENERATIONS OF DIRKSENS meet frequently at their alma mater, St. Joseph's. In the above photograph, taken recently in Father Cletus Dirksen's room at St. Joe's, family patriarch Frank Dirksen, a member of St. Joe's first class in 1891, stands at right center. At the far left is one of his sons, Father Aloys Dirksen, '20, former St. Joseph's president, who is now teaching at St. Charles Seminary. At the far right is Father Cletus, '26, another son, who teaches political science at St. Joe's. At left center is Don Dirksen, '57, a Xavier Hall seminarian in his first year at St. Joseph's. He is a nephew of the two priests, as well as of two other St. Joe alumni, Father Richard, '34, and Clarence Dirksen, ex-'15. The Sacred Heart picture in the background, which hangs in Father Cletus' room, was painted by Father Paulinus Trost, an early member of St. Joseph's faculty.

Bears Train Again At Collegeville

August 3—The Chicago Bears professional football team opened their training season at St. Joseph's July 19. Reporting on that date were 27 rookies who are now fighting for positions on the Bruin varsity. The Bear veterans reported a week later on July 26.

Papa Bear George Halas had scheduled light, two-day workouts for his team until this week when the heavy equipment will be issued and scrimmages will begin.

Pumas Set New Marks

St. Joseph's Pumas, the 1954 Indiana Collegiate Conference baseball champions, whose coach Jim Beane was named "Coach of the Year," established seven new conference records and tied two more in their 12 ICC games this year.

Pitcher Dick Dwinell of Lincolnwood, Ill., a member of the All-Conference team, set two new marks by appearing in nine games and working 54 1/3 innings. His five wins this season

ties another record, and he had the dubious honor of yielding a record number of walks, 26.

George Smolar, Whiting, dependable St. Joe second baseman, registered a new record with his 20 hits. He finished the season batting .435.

Bob Wasni's 15 runs batted in established another high for the conference. Wasni, whose home is in Chicago, set the home run record in 1953.

In a poll of his fellow coaches, Beane was honored for piloting the Pumas to their first undisputed conference championship since the league began competition in 1950. Starting the season with eight regulars and two pitchers from last year's second place team, Beane was optimistic before the season started about the year's prospects.

In posting their 9-3 conference record, the ICC champs also set new team records in total hits with 108, in total runs with 70, and in conference victories.

Their overall season record was 16-3, the best diamond record in the history of St. Joe.

Dr. Elmar Walter Added to Faculty

Dr. Elmar A. A. Walter, a native of Austria who has been in this country since 1951, has accepted a position as geology instructor at St. Joseph's, according to Fr. Raphael Gross, president.

He replaces Michael Davis who resigned the position early in July. Mr. Davis and his family have moved to Denver, Colo., where he will join a consulting firm of geologists.

Dr. Walter received his Ph.D. degree from the Karl-Franzens-Universitaet in Austria and then came to Case Institute of Technology in Cleveland, O.

G. Parent Recovers, Returns to Canada

Gilbert A. (Gibby) Parent, St. Joe freshman, returned to his home at 66 Major St., in Welland, Ont., on July 10. He had been recuperating in the Jasper County Hospital in Rensselaer from injuries received in an automobile accident May 31.

Parent was returning from Gary, Ind., when the car in which he was riding skidded and overturned on Highway 53 a few miles north of the college. He received serious internal injuries and his condition was listed as critical for several weeks.

Fr. Walter Pax Attends Meetings

Fr. Walter Pax, dean of the college, traveled to Bloomington, Indianapolis, and St. Louis for meetings within the past month.

Fr. Pax attended the Third State Work Conference on the Fifth Year in Teacher Education at Indiana University July 14-16, where he was discussion leader for one of eight work groups of the conference.

He was one of eight consultants called to St. Louis on July 19 to help plan a series of conferences on teacher education for Sisters.

On June 25, he attended a meeting of the board of directors of the Central Indiana Chapter of the SJC Alumni Association held at Indianapolis.

Coldwater Pair Wed Fifty Years

John H. Boeke, '98, and his wife of Coldwater, Ohio, observed the golden anniversary of their marriage June 19 with a Solemn High Mass in Holy Trinity Church, Coldwater. Mr. and Mrs. Boeke, the former Amelia Dabbel, were married June 15, 1904.

Monsignor C. H. Boeke, '07, a brother, read the Mass, assisted by the Rev. Lee Boeke, ex-'28, and the Rev. Aloysius Boeke.

The Boekes are the parents of six children, all of them living. They are Raymond H., ex-'26, of Dayton; Werner J., of Coldwater; Paul J., of Bartlesville, Okla.; Coletta C.; Mary M.; and Mrs. Carrie Hoyng of Coldwater.

Mr. Boeke and his son Werner are in the insurance business.

Fr. L. B. Way Ordained in K.C.

The Rev. Leonard Bernard Way, O.S.B., '49, was ordained to the Holy Priesthood on May 29 in St. Peter's Cathedral, Kansas City, Kan.

The ordination was conferred by His Excellency, the Most Rev. Edward J. Kunkeler, D.D., Archbishop of Kansas City in Kansas.

Fr. Way, a son of Mr. and Mrs. Orville M. Way of Manchester, Mich., offered his First Solemn Mass June 13 at St. Mary's Church in Manchester. A reception was held that afternoon in St. Mary's Church Hall.

Mike Kato Baptized In Catholic Church

Mike Kato, '53, was received into the Catholic Church early this summer at the University of Notre Dame, where he is doing post graduate work.

In the national edition of "The Register," he refers to his baptism as "the happiest moment of my life." He goes on to say, "Now I belong to the Mystical Body of Christ. My desire is to lead my native Japanese into a knowledge of the faith of the Catholic Church."

Mike began receiving instructions here at St. Joseph's from Fr. Herber.

Annual Servers Day Held at St. Joe's

The annual Server's Day picnic was held on the college grounds June 23. Sponsored by St. Joseph's, the picnic was attended by 640 youthful servers from 29 parishes in the Lafayette and Fort Wayne dioceses.

A field day was held in the afternoon with the boys participating in various athletic events. St. John's Parish, Whiting, Ind., captured most of the trophies awarded by the college.

Dick Scharf, St. Joseph's basketball coach, was in charge of the program.

Note Written in 1892 Found in Drexel Hall

Two voices from out of the past history of St. Joseph's College were heard late last spring. A group of college students and Fr. Edward Maziarz made an interesting discovery while cleaning a storage room in the southwest corner of the top floor of Drexel Hall.

Above the door they found a piece of paper, yellowed with age, and inscribed thus: "That room was fixed up in Sept. 1892 by Brother Fabian Reer, C.P.P.S., and by Louis Marion from Belcourt, Rolitta Co., North Dak."

Records show that Mr. Marion, an Indian, took a commercial course at St. Joseph's from 1891 to 1893. We wonder if Brother Fabian and Mr. Marion, when writing their little note, realized it would not be read for 62 years.

This Is an Historic Year for the C.P.P.S. . . .



Pictured above is a part of the canonization procession in Rome on June 12, showing four of the large banners of the canonized. Each banner measured about 10 by 15 feet. Honorary bearers of the St. Gaspar banner (the third one in photo), and walking directly in front of it, are Fr. Herbert Linenberger, '29, of Carthage, and Fr. John E. Byrne, '32, of Columbus, Ohio.



Taken at another point in the procession's long march, this picture shows other priests from the American province. Beginning at the left can be identified Fathers Seraphim V. Oberhauser, '20; Byrne; Edward S. Zukowski, '38; James I. Birkley, '40; Paul J. Auacn, '45; Frederick O'Brien, '37; Michael Homco, '43; Edwin J. Murphy, '24; Francis B. Sullivan, '42.



In the above picture are the priests who were present for the C.P.P.S. General Chapter in Rome. In the background is the Society's new Curia, just outside the city wall. From left to right, seated: Fathers Oberhauser; John M. Behen, '42; Luigi Contegiacomo (vice-moderator); H. Kramer, '27 (moderator general); Joseph Mueller (provincial, German province). Standing: Fathers Paul Bausmann (vicar, German province in Spain); Leonard H. Fullenkamp (vicar, American province, Chile); Andrew Pollack, '29; Linenberger; Murphy; Aloys Dirksen, '20; Byrne; Joseph Quattrino (provincial, Italian province); Joseph Kenkel, '13; Ernest Guerieri (delegate, Italian province); Eric Kraeutler (vicar, German province, Brazil); Matteo Quaranta (representative, Italian delegation in America); Joseph Rohling, '23; German Koch (secretary provincial, German province); H. V. Diller, '28; Arturo Gerace (praeses, Major Seminary, Italian province); Lorenzo Cologiovanni (ex-moderator general); Herman Egger (superior, seminary at Salzburg, German province). Note: The Chapter voted in favor of permitting the vicars to attend the meetings without voice.

Fr. A. Hanchak Leaves for Chile

Fr. Augustine Hanchak, '45, left the United States last month to join the Chilean missions of the Society of the Precious Blood.

Fifteen members of the society were already engaged in mission work in the South American country. They are in charge of six parishes, 24 mission stations, and a hospital.

Fr. Hanchak, 30, entered the Society of the Precious Blood in 1939 and was ordained in 1952. A native of Cleveland, Ohio, he has been assistant pastor at St. John's Church, Whiting, Ind., and assistant chaplain at St. Rose's Convent, LaCrosse, Wis.

Departure ceremonies were held for Fr. Hanchak at St. Charles Seminary on June 13.

Alumnus of '50 Now Cistercian

The Rev. Aelred William Buchman, S.O. Cist., '50, was ordained to the priesthood, monk of the Cistercian Order, on May 29, by the Most Rev. Roman R. Atielski, Auxiliary Bishop of Milwaukee, at the Cathedral of St. John, Milwaukee, Wis.

While attending St. Joseph's, Fr. Buchman specialized in Latin studies. He completed his clerical studies at the Cisterian monastery at Okauchee, Wis.

His first Solemn Mass was celebrated on June 6 at Mary Queen of Heaven Church, Cicero, Ill. The Rev. Gilbert Esser preached the sermon. A reception followed the festive dinner at the parish hall.

L. Ritter Continues Interest in Dramatics

Leon A. Ritter, '33, a resident of Birmingham, Ala., still retains the interest he had in dramatics while at Collegeville.

The former "typical student," as he was named after his graduation, has produced and directed a minstrel, several one-act plays, talent shows, a fashion show, and a three-act comedy, all within the last three years. The productions are staged in connection with the Holy Name Society in Ritter's parish.

Father of three children, Ritter is now an equipment and communications controller with the Hayes Aircraft Corporation in Birmingham.

S.J.C. Rents Homes For Student Housing

The college has rented two Rensselaer houses for student residence during the coming year. The houses rented were those of Mrs. Harriet Hopkins at 222 Park Ave., and George Whorral at 473 N. Van Rensselaer St.

The Hopkins home will accommodate 24 students and the Whorral house, 12. The two new residences, along with the Washburn residence, acquired earlier this year by the college, will provide residence for approximately 70 off-campus students.

Fr. Kaiser Finishes Work on New Book

Fr. Edwin Kaiser, '15, professor of theology at St. Joseph's, has completed his latest work, an introduction to theology, "Sacred Doctrine—Science and Wisdom." According to the author, it is the first work of its kind in the English language.

Fr. Kaiser has written several books on religion and religious affairs in the past few years. His latest published work is an English translation of a German work by Francis Willam. The book is entitled "The Rosary: Its History and Meaning."

At the present time, Fr. Kaiser is looking for a suitable "match" with some publisher.